

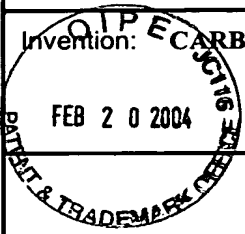
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Invention: **CARBONACEOUS REFRACTORY AND METHOD FOR PREPARING THE SAME**



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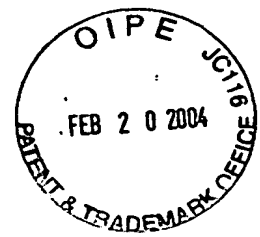
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